

BISHOP STIRES BANS AMERICAN MISSAL

**He Tells Diocesan Meeting Only
Church Convention Can
Change Services.**

HITS MARRIAGE LATITUDE

**Disapproves Proposed Canon to Al-
low Clergymen to Act in Civil
Capacity.**

Condemnation of the so-called American missal advocated recently by a group of bishops and clergymen of the Anglo-Catholic group of the Protestant Episcopal faith was pronounced yesterday at the sixty-fourth annual convention of the diocese of Long Island by Bishop Ernest M. Stires in his annual address at Garden City, L. I. He also disapproved of proposed changes in the canons of the Church which would allow Episcopal clergymen "to act in a merely civil or secular capacity" in the performance of marriage ceremonies and give "unprecedented authority to Bishops to determine the proper causes for annulment."

"No unauthorized publications can effect changes in the services of the church as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer," said Bishop Stires. "Any change can be effected only by the General Convention, acting in accordance with our constitution and canons, and no other source or authority can be recognized in the diocese of Long Island."

Attacks Proposed New Canon.

"I shall not enlarge upon proposals varying in character which have been exciting much comment in the papers and which may be considered by the general convention. It is enough to suggest that the sacredness of holy matrimony, which was elevated to a higher degree than ever before at the last Lambeth conference in London, is not likely to be weakened by any action of our general convention. Nor is the priesthood likely to be injured by authorizing them to act in a merely civil or secular capacity. Nor is the unprecedented authority likely to be given to our Bishops to determine the proper causes for annulment."

"Indeed, it is altogether unlikely that the proposed canon will ever be presented to the general convention at Denver in its present form. It is even less likely that its amazing suggestions will receive favorable consideration."

Six Hundred at Convention.

More than 600 clerical and lay delegates and members of Long Island parishes attended sessions both morning and afternoon, which were held in the Cathedral of the Incarnation. About 400 were present at a holy communion service at which

Estate to Pay \$570,000 Tax Due to Thorne Will Omission

By The Associated Press.

HARTFORD, Conn., May 19.—

The State of Connecticut will collect an inheritance tax of about \$570,000 from the estate of Samuel Brinkerhoff Thorne of Greenwich, simply because Mr. Thorne neglected to specify in his will that funds for charity were intended for such purpose.

The State Tax Commissioner's office made known its computation of the tax today.

Mr. Thorne died June 3, 1930, leaving an estate of about \$15,000,000. A famous football star at Yale, he was graduated from Sheffield Scientific School and then engaged in mining.

He married but had no children, the couple finally adopting a girl. When Mrs. Thorne died a few years ago, she left her estate of nearly \$2,000,000 to the adopted daughter, Joan.

Bishop Stires preached preceding the opening of the convention.

J. P. Morgan, who represented the parish of St. John's of Lattingtown, Locust Valley, was permitted at his own request to decline his nomination as a lay deputy to the triennial convention to be held in September at Denver. His action was prompted by a conflict he said would result with his regular duties were he to accept. The convention this morning will elect clerical and lay deputies to the Denver convention and members to the diocesan council and provincial synod.

A budget for \$31,584 for 1932 was adopted for the work of the diocese.

Bishop Stires, in his annual address, said that the last year had been the most successful financially in the history of the diocese. He said the entire membership of the Church had been affected by the financial depression, but had "nevertheless been foremost in giving aid to the unemployed and have determined that whatever sacrifices had to be made they would not make their sacrifices begin with their offerings to God."

Put Off Murder Trial of Boy, 15.

The trial of Junior Myron Hess, 15 years old, which will be the first trial for murder in the first degree in New York City of a boy under 16, was postponed yesterday by Supreme Court Justice Albert Cohn in the Bronx until May 28. Hess was indicted for the fatal shooting of Solomon Balowitz, 49, in his tailor shop at 1,283 Findlay Avenue on April 8.

Student Flier Falls and Dies.

ROYAL OAK, Mich., May 19 (AP).—John Beaubian, 20 years old, student flier, was killed today when the plane in which he was up alone crashed on a farm near here. Michael Them, owner of the plane, said Beaubian had taken off for a practice flight despite a high wind and apparently lost control at a height of 500 feet.

SEABURY TO DEMAND

and Kurtz split equally a \$1,500 fee